

News Release

Dobbs Ferry Middle School Stages Musical Favorite “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat”

Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. November 18, 2013—One of the most popular family musicals comes to Broadway (505 that is) this weekend as Dobbs Ferry Middle School students bring to life *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* for all to enjoy. The show’s premise is based on the Biblical parable of Joseph, found in the Book of Genesis. This “testament tale, both timely and timeless,” will be performed on **Friday, November 22nd @ 7:00 pm and Saturday, November 23rd @ 5:30 pm in the Middle School/High School auditorium**. Student tickets are \$5, general admission is \$7 and senior citizens are free.

“Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is a fun, family-friendly show with infectious tunes and a great message: Anyone can succeed, no matter the circumstances,” said Dobbs Ferry music teacher and the musical’s director Georgia DeFalco. “After the success of last year’s Middle School production “Mixical,” I thought it was time to do a full-scale musical that incorporated lots of singing, dancing, and fun! I also picked Joseph because I wanted to incorporate the Springhurst students into the show. I think the Dobbs Ferry community will love this production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*.”

The storyline has little spoken dialogue (there are four narrators) and is mostly told through song. The musical numbers are set to a “mashup” of divergent, catchy styles including country-western, bubble-gum pop, rock n’ roll, tango, techno and even a calypso beat! According to composer Andrew Lloyd Webber’s “Really Useful Website,” *Joseph* opened in an Off-Broadway production at the Entermidia Theatre on November 18, 1981 and the musical transferred to the Royal Theatre on Broadway on January 27, 1982 and ran through September 4, 1983 with 749 performances. Joseph was the first collaboration for lyricist Tim Rice and Webber. The widely acclaimed team also created musical blockbusters *Evita*, *Jesus Christ Superstar* and *Cats*.

For young and old alike, you won’t want to miss this “funtastic” story of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* brought to you by the Dobbs Ferry Middle School players!

Directors:

Georgia DeFalco

Choreographer/ Assistant Director: Amanda Newhouse

Music Director/ Rehearsal Accompanist: Cory Conley

Pit Director: David Hertzberg

Photography:

Bob Plotkin

Cast List:

Joseph: Samuel Almaras

Narrators:

Narrator 1: Emily Plotkin

Narrator 2: Ashley Klein

Narrator 3: Lindsay Honigman

Narrator 4: Elizabeth Poccia

Brothers:

Reuben ("Canaan Days" Solo): Gabriella Torres

Levi ("Canaan Days" Solo): Alisha Pandya

Simeon: Ursula Hudak

Judah: Kirsten Young

Dan: Abigail Loose

Naphtali: Mijyo Sasaki

Gad: Lauren Demitrovic

Asher: Alyssa Rivera

Issachar: Kiersten McGovern

Zebulun: Charlene Reith

Benjamin: Emma Monaghan

Pharaoh: Abigail Bayer-Mertens Human

Jacob: Nickolas McCormick (*Joseph Understudy*)

Baker: Aaron Young

Butler: Jelani Williams

Potiphar: Daniel Schwartz

Mrs. Potiphar: Sara FitzPatrick

Three Ladies: "Angels in Heaven" & Adoring Girls

Lady 1: Sophia Bloom

Lady 2: Alexis Corona

Lady 3: Emilia Ducic

Ishmaelites/Brother Understudies:

Juan Patino

Jason Balsan

Chorus/ Brothers' Wives:

Bari David

Anna Prendi

Emily Watkins

Amy Allen

Student Directors:

Jamie Honigman

Janine Rodriguez

Rat Pack:

Director - T'sha Gregory

Crew:

Vincent Laino
Ryan Mitchell
Philip Monteiro
Roman Danyluk
Aiyana Walker
Ray Flaks
Catherine White

Pit Members:

Christian Flynn
Crystal Gao
Lucas Saur
Michael Grant
Nisha Mathur
Tiko Mkheidze
Sal Jallow

Children's Choir (Springhurst Students):

Jhonatan Almaras
Anthony Archer
Charlotte Berliner
Johnathen Bodkin
Catherine Bradley
Maja Cvijanovic
Felix Danishmend
Olivia Deakins
Kristen Kikuchi
Hunter King
Olivia Molz
Jose-Luis Regalado
Zara Rust
Max Schneider
Alison Stoker
Daniel Storck

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